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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed July 27, 2000 in connection with the above-referenced application. Consideration of the claims in light of the remarks that follow is kindly solicited.

Accompanying this Response is a Petition for Extension of Time, containing a provision for payment of the appropriate fee, extending the period for response by three months, to and including January 27, 2001. Applicants believe that no other fees are due in connection with the filing of this Response. If the Commissioner determines otherwise, he is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees (including fees for extensions of time) or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1300 (Order No. A-67641-1/RFT/BTC).